

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Attached are substitute drawing pages 1/9-9/9 that include changes to Figs. 1-15 on pages 1-8 of drawing pages 1/8-8/8 of the International application. In the International application, these Figures contained identifying indicia in the Japanese language, which have been translated into English in the substitute drawings.

Attachments: Replacement Sheets

Annotated sheets showing changes

REMARKS

Claims

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to conform with U.S. requirements and practice regarding claim format. The amendments result in 2 independent claims and 20 total claims. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

Substitute Specification

The Applicant invokes 37 CFR 1.125, allowing use of a substitute specification, so that the Examiner has a clean copy of the specification for work purposes, since the literal translation lacks paragraph numbering. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.125, a marked up copy of the specification is also submitted.

As shown in the marked-up specification, paragraph numbers have been added and minor wording changes and similar modifications have been made without adding new matter.

The Applicant submits that the claims are in a condition to permit allowance and request early and favorable disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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